

College and High School Sports

ALMA PLAYS TO SCORELESS TIE

TOLEDO SQUAD IS WORTHY OPPONENT IN BRILLIANTLY CONTESTED GAME.

In spite of the fact that Alma College football team decisively outplayed the Toledo University eleven in the Maumee City Saturday afternoon Coach Campbell's charges were forced to accept a scoreless tie, being unable to take advantage of the several scoring opportunities that presented themselves, especially during the second half, when the eleven was almost constantly battering its way to the Toledo goal line, only to have the Buckeyes hold on the line, take the ball and punt out of danger.

During the first half the two elevens appeared to be fairly evenly matched and in that half Toledo once put the ball on the Alma ten yard mark, but was unable to gain ground after it reached that point, the Alma defense stiffening and holding the Maumee stars without a gain. This was the only real scoring chance that the Toledo team had during the entire game.

In the second half, after the eleven had received a combing from Coach Campbell it went back into the fray and played the Toledo team off its feet until the goal line was almost reached, when time after time, the Toledo defense stiffened and held Alma for downs, or the ball was lost through some other medium. Twice it was lost on forward passes behind the goal, either one of which would have been completed had it not been for the fact that the receiving end of the pass was too anxious to complete the play, this desire being responsible for fumbling and the loss of touchdowns. On another occasion it seemed that Brackenberry was certain to shove the ball over for a touchdown on a fourth down for the touchdown that would give the Maroon and Cream the contest. He was stopped less than six inches from the goal. Another time when Toledo was running on her own goal line Beam dashed through and scooped up a blocked punt, only to stumble and fall with a clear field ahead of him.

On defense the team looked especially good all through the Toledo contest and has shown a big development over the first contest of the season with the Michigan Aggies and is giving promise of a defense that will puzzle the Michigan Intercollegiate teams.

The offense, however, was far from what is desired or which must be shown in the coming games if Alma expects to hold her own in the Michigan Intercollegiate title chase. The line at times failed to open the holes that the backs needed to close the gap between the ball and the Toledo goal, and at other times the interference and team work behind the line showed poorly. The work on the whole, however, was far better than the display at M. A. C., and there is every hope that the coming weeks will see the development that is needed to make Alma a serious contender in the title chase which gets under way this week with the Ypsi game.

At Toledo the two outstanding figures in the Alma play were Captain McNaughton and "Dud" Johnston. Both men played wonderful football the entire route.

MEET MT. PLEASANT HERE

Coach Carlson's Alma high school team will battle her old Mt. Pleasant rival on Republic field Friday afternoon and a real battle is being looked forward to by local fans.

Mt. Pleasant shows real strength again this season. A week ago the Isabella county aggregation stopped the Ithaca high eleven which previously had won from St. Louis by a 31 to 0 score. This makes the Mt. Pleasant eleven look to be one of the best in this part of the state, outside of Saginaw and Bay City.

Starting the year with a comparatively green eleven the local team has not been making a bad showing when all things are considered and it is a certainty that each week during the season has seen the squad advancing by leaps and bounds in football knowledge and in capabilities for playing the game. The eleven will be in fair shape for the Mt. Pleasant game, and while the locals are not making any claims whatever as to what they expect to do to Mt. Pleasant, one thing is certain and that is the eleven can be depended upon to fight from start to finish and Mt. Pleasant will not be able to walk off with the long end of the score without having earned every point that she collects.

Made No Hit With the Women.

Old Dr. Johnson wrote an intended humorous definition of the wedding ring which stirred for him a perfect deluge of abuse at his presumption. He said: "A ring is a circular instrument placed upon the noses of hogs and the fingers of women to bring them into subjection."

Cork Trees.

The cork oak grows plentifully in Spain, and the peasants make use of the bark to light their houses at night. The bark is placed in a kettle, from which protrudes a spout, and when it is hot enough it gives off a gas which burns with considerable brilliancy.

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RESULTS OF THE

M. I. A. A. GAMES

No startling performances were shown by the teams of the Michigan Intercollegiate this past week although Kalamazoo claims to have rolled up a larger score on Olivet than she had expected. It had been a foregone conclusion in the M. I. A. A., however, that Kalamazoo would have an easy time in this contest. The scores of the games follow:

At Toledo—Alma College 0, Toledo University 0.
At Sandwich—Adrian College 0, Assumption 0.
At Ypsilanti—Michigan State Normal 12, Grand Rapids Junior 0.
At Kalamazoo—Kalamazoo Normal 10, Albion College 0.
At Kalamazoo—Kalamazoo College 33, Olivet 6.

Alma Grid Season

Opens with Ypsi

On Saturday of this week the Alma College football team will open the local grid season and also open the Michigan Intercollegiate series, with the strong Michigan State Normal eleven as its opponent and a rare contest is promised as the two aggregations are apparently about evenly matched.

In its game with Assumption the Teachers showed lots of power and drive in spite of the muddy field on which the contest was staged and had little trouble in winning and look very much like a bunch who would make a hot fight for the Michigan Intercollegiate honors. McCulloch has several veterans on his eleven and the new comers are all men with football knowledge, who are filling the few holes in his team in a highly acceptable manner.

Numerous changes have been made in the Alma team since a year ago and as a result it has not been coming round to shape quite as rapidly as the Ypsilanti aggregation, but indications are that the team has been showing enough improvement during the past three weeks to make it a foe that the Teachers will be forced to excel anything that they have shown so far this season to win.

The Maroon and Cream line is now coming in good shape and can be depended upon to put up a real battle against the Green and White's forward wall, and McCulloch will have some rare line smashers if they succeed in breaking down the defense to any great extent.

On the backfield the Presbyterians are constantly showing better form, the work of Hickerson, McDonald, Brackenberry, Tredway, Catherman, and the others being such as to inspire some real hopes that Alma is going to be a real contender in the association race as the various games come during the next few weeks. If Alma is to be a contender for a title however, she will be forced to stop Ypsilanti this week and that will be no small job, as Ypsi apparently has the strongest team that the Teachers have ever put on the gridiron.

Coach Doc McCulloch and assistant coach, Jack Dunn, are expected to arrive in Alma sometime Friday afternoon with a squad of 25 men and a truck load of fighting togs. The probable lineup for Saturday's game will be, L. E., Anderson or Williamson; L. T., Crane, Welch, or Barret; L. G., Janousek or Ruggles; R. E., Dickie or Adrian; Q. B., Purdy, Gellispie or Spencer; Halves, Clarke, Schlaak, Colburn, Gregory or Davidson; Full, Gregory, Morse, or Ruggles. The teachers defeated Assumption, 13 to 0, Grand Rapids Junior, 12 to 0, and are coming to Alma with full confidence of winning the game, but they will find that the Alma bunch is full of pep and ready for the fray. It promises to be a real opening occasion. Every football booster should be on the ground to see this opening game.

M. I. A. A. Selects

Herron As Judge

At the meeting of the directors of the Michigan Intercollegiate last week at Albion Professor Herron of Hillsdale, one of the real strong men of the M. I. A. A., was selected to act for the association as its "Judge Landis" and decisions regarding eligibility which cannot be settled easily between colleges of the Association will be referred to him for a final decision.

He also has another task on his hands, which however comes within his sphere by the powers given him, that of securing more contests between M. I. A. A. teams, if possible. At the present time some of the colleges are playing few association games. This is particularly true in football. Adrian is playing no association games. Others play the following number with Albion, Olivet and Alma the only colleges meeting all others, excepting Adrian: Alma 5, Albion 5, Kalamazoo 3, Olivet 5, Michigan State Normal 3, Hillsdale 3.

FOUR PLACES TO COUNT

At the recent meeting of the M. I. A. A. Directors at Albion it was decided to count four places in the M. I. A. A. track events instead of three as heretofore. The points will run 5, 3, 2, and 1. The change is expected to cause larger track teams to be entered in the meets in the future because of the possibility of picking up extra points.

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Great Greenville

Team Slaughtered

Showing a wonderful improved form, which had not been expected by even the most enthused of the high school fans, the Alma High School football team jumped all over the Greenville high eleven on the Greenville field Friday afternoon, and when the smoke of battle had cleared away the conquerors of Arthur Hill of Saginaw had been smashed to bits and their state-wide reputation gained through winning over the Saginaw eleven had been torn to shreds, and Alma stood forth in her place as a real team from a small high school. Unbelievable as it may seem Alma walked off with a 27 to 0 victory, and earned every point that was annexed.

Before the game the fans would not have taken a ten to one shot that Coach Carlson's eleven would defeat such a strong aggregation as the one that Coach Malcolmson had at Greenville. The Alma eleven on the whole was a comparatively green team, its one victory in two starts being over an equally green eleven, the Midland High aggregation. Local fans could hardly believe the score when it was flashed to Alma following the game, and not until the team returned that evening and verified reports did Alma awake to the fact that it has a full-fledged fighting aggregation that knows that the bigger they are the harder they fall.

The game had not been under way three minutes before the Carlson eleven put over the first counter, a fumble by Greenville paving the way for the touchdown, which came by way of a forward pass. Another one followed this before the period had ended, this coming on line-smashing. In the second quarter another touchdown was shoved over.

In the final half Greenville braced and held Alma far more effectively than in the first half, but on offense could do little. Only twice during the game could the Greenville team shove the ball into Alma territory as far as the forty yard mark. The last touchdown, the lone counter of the second half, came on a beautiful forward pass, Elias to Veeder.

Both teams tried a large number of passes during the contest, Alma working ten out of a possible dozen, while Greenville got away with only two heaves into the air, and these two only netted a total of eight yards. Most of her passes were grounded, but Alma intercepted two of those that did not work.

The entire team played a splendid game from start to finish and it would be difficult to point to any particular stars. Elias, Veeder and Patterson must be given credit for their fine performance with forward passes and Anderson for his great work, however.

M. I. A. A. SCHEDULES

Last week M. I. A. A. schedules for basketball and baseball were arranged at a meeting of the coaches at Albion. Coach Parker was also at the meeting and one of Alma's basketball games is arranged with that school. Alma's schedules for the M. I. A. A. games follow:

Basket Ball

January 6—Olivet at Alma.
January 13—Adrian at Alma.
January 19—Ypsilanti at Alma.
January 26—Alma at Albion.
January 27—Alma at Adrian.
February 3—Hillsdale at Alma.
February 16—Kalamazoo at Alma.
February 21—Alma at Hillsdale.
March 2—Alma at Kalamazoo.
March 9—Albion at Alma.

Baseball

April 21—Adrian at Alma.
April 24—Albion at Alma.
April 27—Alma at Adrian.
April 28—Alma at Olivet.
May 5—Ypsilanti at Alma.
May 7—Hillsdale at Alma.
May 11—Alma at Hillsdale.
May 12—Alma at Ypsilanti.
May 18—Kalamazoo at Alma.
May 19—Olivet at Alma.
May 25—Alma at Kalamazoo.
May 26—Alma at Albion.
June 1 and 2—M. I. A. A. Finals.

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M. I. A. A. GAMES

FOR THIS WEEK

There will be plenty of action in the M. I. A. A. this week with five contests scheduled by teams of the Michigan Intercollegiate. Two of the five games are strictly association contests which will have a bearing on the association title. The games follow:

Friday

At Toledo—Hillsdale College vs. Toledo University.

Saturday

At Alma—Michigan State Normal vs. Alma College.

At Albion—Olivet College vs. Albion College.

At Sioux City, Iowa—Kalamazoo College vs. Morningside College.

At Findlay, Ohio—Adrian College vs. Findlay College.

Tin Can.

An old lady was crossing the street the other day. A dog ran into her with such force that it knocked her down. Just then a light auto ran over her. A gentleman witnessing the accident came to her assistance. He said: "Lady, did that dog hurt you?" She looked at him a little dazed and replied: "No, the dog didn't hurt me, it was the tin can tied to its tail."

Big Cluster of English Snakes.
A cluster of snakes recently found in Dorsetshire, England, contained 634 of these reptiles.

Odd Names of Irish Streets.
Gallows hill and Harmony hill are the names of two streets in Sligo, Ireland.

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MICKIE SAYS

WHAT HAS BECOME OF TH' OLE-FASHIONED GUY WHO USED TO BRING IN THINGS "TO HELP FILL UP TH' PAPER." WHEN TH' BOSS WUZ RUNNIN' IN CIRCLES, WORRYIN' BECUZ THEY WUZNT ROOM FER WHAT HAD TO GO IN?



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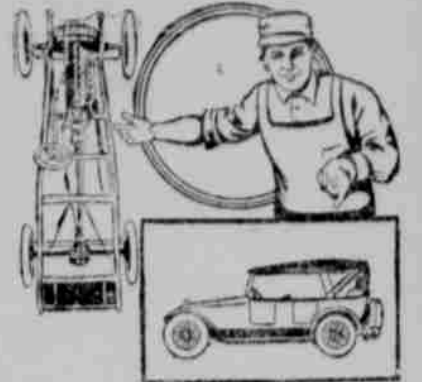
Can't Doctor Stumps.

Boring holes in stumps and filling them with saltpeter or something else to hasten decay is a waste of time according to the foresters of the State Agricultural college at Ithaca, N. Y. The holes do give added surface for nature's destructive agents to work on, but only digging, chopping, burning, or blowing out will quickly dispose of stumps that can't wait for the slow process of decay.

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